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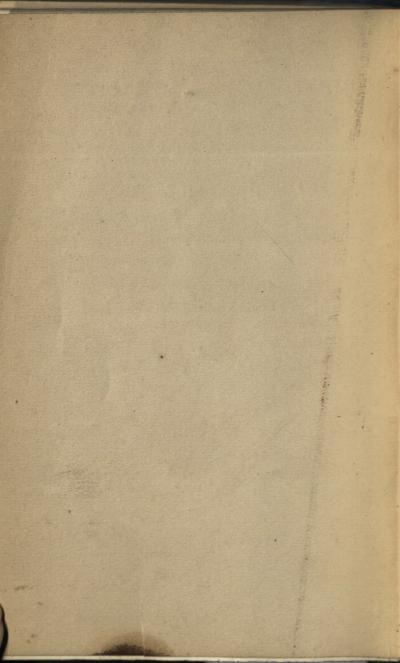


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By this simple process any person unaccustomed to painting, and ignorant of art, may colour photographs, and produce, with rapidity and little trouble, effective, permanent, and beautiful pictures, so soft and delicate as to closely resemble painting on enamel; may render the treasured family portrait doubly valuable by adding the warm tints of life to the faithful but cold and death-like production of the photographer, and produce a pleasing as well as a truthful representation. The largest and the smallest work may be painted with equal facility, the life-size portrait, or a miniature for a locket, the only qualification for success, even in very elaborate pictures, being taste in the arrangement of the colours.

A reasonable objection to colouring photographs, as

colouring has hitherto been practised—that the delicate truthfulness of nature's drawing was injured, and sometimes a likeness wholly destroyed, through being obscured by the colourist in the working, and at best, that the only guarantee of fidelity was the talent of the artist—is by the beautifully simple process under consideration completely removed, as all the softness, lights, and shadows of the photograph are preserved.

Until some satisfactory method is discovered to produce, by natural means, the various colours of objects, we think Photo-Chromography, notwithstanding the ease with which it may be practised, will be found to be the most perfect process, and will assert and maintain the foremost place amongst the various modes of painting photographs.

We have endeavoured to make the following instructions as complete as possible, and trust we have omitted nothing of service to the practitioner; should any difficulty occur however, we shall be happy to reply to any enquiry addressed to the publishers; at the same time, any suggestions for improvements, either in the mode of working or the materials, will be thankfully acknowledged, and noticed in the next edition of this little pamphlet.

DIRECTIONS.

THE MATERIALS.

The articles required for the practice of this fascinating art are few and comparatively inexpensive. They consist of the Colours, Diaphanous Varnish, Medium and Rectified Spirit, a little Gummed Paper, a Palette Knife and Palette, and a piece of Linen Rag. The Colours, Varnishes, &c., are made expressly for the art by Messrs. Barnard & Son, and may be had either separately or in mahogany boxes, more or less complete, at 10s. 6d., 21s., and 42s.

PREPARATION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH TO WORK UPON.

The photograph should not be mounted on card; if it is, throw it into warm water, and allow it to soak until it becomes detached, paying particular attention to the removal, by washing, of all gum or other adhesive matter used in mounting it.

The best photographs to work upon are those printed on thin but strongly albumized paper, and, as we have

already observed, unmounted. The photograph should be carefully washed, by soaking in warm water, in order to remove any size contained in the paper; it must be thoroughly dried, first by placing it between folded blotting paper, and afterwards by exposure to the air, or by the fire. The photograph is now to be laid, face downwards, upon a piece of glass, and fastened at the corners by a strip of gummed paper; now apply a coating of the Diaphanous Varnish with the soft brush, crossing and re-crossing, so as to assist the varnish in penetrating into the paper. One coating thus applied, particularly if the photographic paper is thin, will be generally sufficient; should the picture, however, when dry, not be perfectly transparent, apply a second coating; let it now remain until it is quite dry, when it ought to be quite transparent, if not, as will be the case when some of the thicker kinds of albumized paper are used, apply more coatings of varnish. Remember, it is not in a fit state to colour upon until it is perfectly transparent and free from white spots or a cloudy appearance, and the varnish must be quite dry before you can be certain of its transparency or can use your colours properly; watch your pictures when drying, and should you find the varnish penetrate

through the paper on to the glass, occasionally pass a palette knife or thin piece of ivory between, to keep the picture from sticking to it. Care should be taken to prevent the varnish from passing over the sides and edges. Small subjects may be prepared two or three at a time. The rect. spirit is used for cleaning the brushes, or removing any accidental spots of varnish.

THE COLOURING.

We suppose your picture to be transparent and quite dry, and ready therefore for the application of the colours. Unscrew the cap, and squeeze from the bottom of the tube a small quantity of the tints you require on to the palette, and mix with them a little of the Medium; of the latter use only sufficient to make them work agreeably, for they must not be too thin; do not mix much more than you require, for the colours, after some hours, will dry and become useless. For the sake of clearness we shall suppose that it is a portrait of moderate size you propose to colour. First apply the appropriate colour (pink) to the lips and cheeks very sparingly, softening the latter with a dry brush. In order to see

the effect of your work reverse the picture, without removing it from the glass, and place a piece of white paper behind it; if not sufficiently softened at the edges of the colour, use the dry brush again. Next will come the high lights, small touches of white to the eyes, and to the prominent parts of the objects (particularly polished ones) upon which the light strikes. Then paint in the brightest coloured objects, such as gold, flowers, ribbons, and any other small bright object that may be prominent in your picture. Allow the colours on the face, &c., to dry, then paint over them the flesh tint, which will give solidity, and so far finish your work.

You may, however, after applying the pink or scarlet on the cheeks, &c., work the flesh tint into the carnations while wet. This is a quicker method, and sometimes the best. Which plan you prefer, when you have tried both, you will adopt. Where a bright rosy tint is desired, the flesh tint must not be worked too much into the pink or scarlet. For small pictures, such as ordinary cartede-visite portraits, the carnations may be altogether omitted, and the colouring began and finished in a very short space of time. The appropriate flesh colour being laid

over the face and neck and hands, regardless of the colour of the lips and eyes, or any black lace that may lay over them, which will, however, appear defined and natural in your finished picture. It is important that each colour be kept within its proper boundary; indeed, a little margin to each will make no difference in the effect.

In ordinary painting there is frequently, in amateur work, too much brightness of colour. In this process no such risk is run, for the painting is seen through the photograph, which softens and blends the colours. We are consequently obliged to use the brightest pigments that can be obtained, to avoid a dull- and unpleasant result:-thus, bright searlet used upon a dark photograph, produces almost a brick colour, or if very dark and warm, a maroon; while, if the photograph is very pale, it remains scarlet. Again, bright yellow, seen through the photograph, is the appropriate colour for flaxen hair. Except the cheeks and lips, as a rule, paint brighter than the required tint. A little judgment and practice will soon enable you to hit upon the appropriate colours. You may, when you doubt the effect of a colour. try it upon your picture, (keeping it as far as possible

from the other colours,) and if it does not satisfy you, take a piece of linen, damped with the spirit, and remove it, and try again.

The colours may be mixed with each other, and it will be frequently necessary to add white to them,—thus, for the sky, the blue must be mixed with the white; for water, blue, green, and white; and so on.

Besides the colours sold in the boxes, any others you desire may be obtained separately.

When the colouring is finished and perfectly dry, pass a pen-knife round the edges to remove it from the glass, and mount with clear glue, or some similar cement, upon cardboard. In the event of the Diaphanous Varnish getting upon the face of the picture, it is sometimes desirable to pass a coating of varnish over the whole after the painting is finished.

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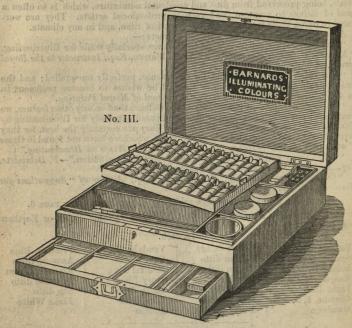
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